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MOLECULES HAVING HOMOLOGY TO THE NIP2  
PROTEIN AND USES THEREOF*

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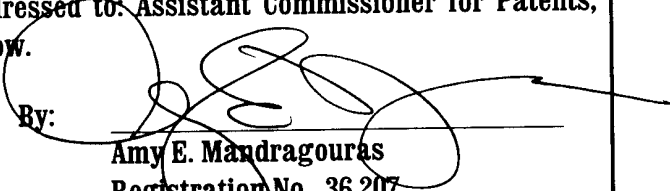
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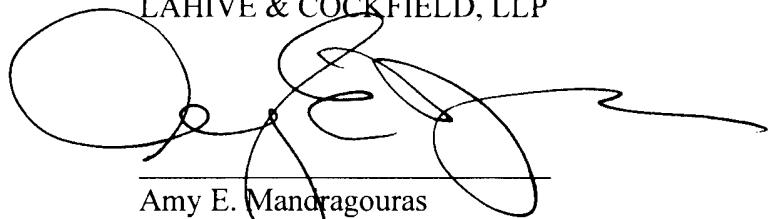
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